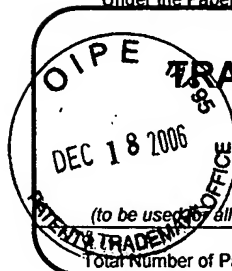


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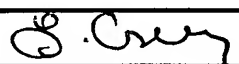
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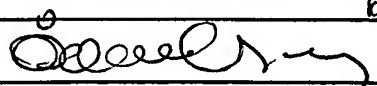
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This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed 09.18.2006 in which of pending claims 1 - 57, claims 33 - 57 are withdrawn, and claims 1 - 32 are rejected. The Examiner objected to the drawings, which are being corrected and will be submitted at a subsequent date.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION. None.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS. The amendments to the claims are included in the set of claims that begin on page 5 of this communication.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS. Corrected drawings are forthcoming in a separate communication.

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